

15 MAY 1981

Mr. Clayton McManaway
Deputy Assistant Secretary of State
for Classification and Declassification
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Clay:

With reference to your letter of 16 March, we have reviewed your statement of the procedures for obtaining CIA's clearance of materials selected for publication in the Foreign Relations of the United States series, and are essentially in agreement with your proposal.

Regarding the material selected for the volumes covering the period 1950-54, we will look to CDC/SR to give us the assurance for any given volume that all material of interest to this Agency has been forwarded to us for review. That assurance in hand, CRD will then advise CDC/SR of its final clearance of the volume, contingent upon the exclusion of any document or portions of documents which must be withheld to protect national security, according to our determination.

With regard to the volumes covering the period 1955-57 and subsequent periods, CRD will work with CDC/SR to ensure a complete and rapid review of the materials selected for these volumes.

In neither instance do I see anything to prevent our working out problems arising ad hoc, considering the excellence of the relationship and understanding that exists between our respective organizations.

Finally, I want to assure you that we will make every effort possible to keep the clearance of FRUS materials within this channel. The reality of the situation is, of course, that where other channels exist, they will be used if the parties so choose. We have nevertheless discussed this problem with appropriate components in the Agency and have requested their cooperation. Should they feel compelled to discuss FRUS matters out of channel, we have asked that they advise us so that we may alert you to the existence of these discussions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Thomas H. White

Thomas H. White
Director of Information Services
Directorate of Administration

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F.Y.I., I took the liberty of showing this to Larry Pickering in draft to see if there were any last-minute problems. Larry is leaving today on extended annual leave (until about the end of the month) and advised me that if he did not call back, that would indicate that they saw no problem with this response. Since I have not heard from Larry, I presume that there are no problems. With this in Clay's hands, I now plan to start clearing these 1951 and 1952-54 FRUS volumes as fast as we can properly do so.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

March 16, 1981

Mr. Thomas H. White
Chief, Information Services Staff
Directorate of Administration
Central Intelligence Agency

Dear Tom:

For some time now, I have been conscious of the need for a clearer and more explicit statement of the procedures for obtaining CIA clearance on materials selected for possible publication in the Foreign Relations of the United States series.

As you know, a decision was recently made in this Department allocating to CDC the responsibility for coordination with other agencies of the government on clearance of materials for the series. I am therefore now able to provide the following statement of procedures.

First, with respect to the material selected for the volumes covering the period 1950 - 1954 which had to be re-reviewed (see attached list):

- (a) The Classification Review Division (CRD) of your office will review again for declassification those portions of the volumes which had been sent initially to CIA by the Department's Historical Office for declassification review;
- (b) CDC's Office of Systematic Review (CDC/SR) will bring to CRD's attention any documents discovered in the course of the CDC/SR declassification review which CDC/SR concludes should have been sent to CIA for its initial review, but in fact were not. CDC/SR will submit all materials containing information of concern to your Agency.
- (c) CRD will advise CDC/SR of its clearance of a given volume on the condition that any document or portions of documents which, by CRD's determination, must be withheld to protect national

security, will not be included in the volume. We would reserve the right to discuss further with you any items withheld which we have reasons to believe can be released.

Concerning the material selected for the 1955 - 1957 and subsequent volumes, if the material has already been submitted to you we will follow procedures similar to those outlined above, i.e., CDC/SR will submit to you any additional materials containing information of concern to your Agency. If the material has not yet been submitted, CDC/SR will make the initial selection of material and will make certain that everything of concern to your Agency is submitted in the first instance. Again we would honor any conditional clearances subject to further discussion on materials we believe can be released.

With regard to communication from your Agency to the Department on these matters, I would, in turn, appreciate your assurance that they will remain in these channels. We have had one recent experience of such communications in other channels that led to some confusion on this end.

I trust that these procedures will meet your requirements.

Sincerely,



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Classification/Declassification Center
Bureau of Administration

List of Volumes of the
Foreign Relations of the United States Series
 Which Are To Be Re-Reviewed Prior to Publication

1950, Volume IV	Central and Eastern Europe; The Soviet Union
1951, Volume III	European Security and the German Question
1951, Volume IV	Europe: Political and Economic Developments
1951, Volume V	Near East and Africa
1951, Volume VII	China and Tibet
1952-54, Volume I	General: Economic and Political Matters
1952-54, Volume II	National Security Affairs
1952-54, Volume IV	Latin America
1952-54, Volume V	Western European Security
1952-54, Volume VI	Western Europe and Canada
1952-54, Volume VII	Germany and Austria: Central Europe
1952-54, Volume VIII	Eastern Europe: The Soviet Union
1952-54, Volume IX	Near and Middle East
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1952-54, Volume XI	Africa and South Asia
1952-54, Volume XII	East Asia and the Pacific
1952-54, Volume XIII	Indochina
1952-54, Volume XIV	China and Japan
1952-54, Volume XV	Korea
1952-54, Volume XVI	The Geneva Convention

*May be combined with 1952-1954, Volume IX
 after material on Iran is withdrawn.